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**Reference: Gary Development Landfill Superfund Site, Gary, Indiana  
Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for the Remedial  
Investigation/Feasibility Study,  
CERCLA Docket No. V-W-14-C-004  
October 2022 Monthly Progress Report #102**

Dear Ms. Werner:

In fulfillment of the requirements of Section IX, Paragraph 32, of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study, CERCLA Docket No. V-W-14-C-004, the Respondents are submitting the October 2022 monthly progress report.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact me or Bennie Underwood at (865) 691-5052.

Sincerely,  
***de maximis, inc.***

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## MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT - #102

**PROJECT NAME:** Gary Development Landfill Superfund Site

**PERIOD COVERED:** October 2022

### **A. ACTIONS TAKEN TOWARD COMPLIANCE WITH THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

- In correspondence dated October 12, 2022, and on behalf of the Settling Work Parties (SWPs), the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was notified of proposed vegetation clearing activities and the sampling and ultimate off-Site disposal plans of investigation derived waste (IDW). EPA approved the proposed activities with an email dated October 14, 2022. With correspondence dated October 24, 2022, EPA was notified of the schedule for these activities (see Work Planned for Next Two Months and Schedule of Significant Activities below).
- On October 26, 2022, representatives on behalf of EPA, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) and the SWPs participated in a routine project status call to discuss upcoming field activities and an outline of the Supplemental Source Area Investigation Work Plan.
- With correspondence dated October 27, 2022, EPA provided the SWPs with a summary of the components and path(s) forward utilizing multiple Operable Units (OU) and the rationale for bifurcating groundwater.

### **B. SAMPLING AND TESTING ACTIONS AND RESULTS**

- None necessary.

### **C/D. WORK PLANNED FOR NEXT TWO MONTHS AND SCHEDULE OF SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES / DELIVERABLES**

- On November 2, 2022, vegetation management activities will be initiated. It is anticipated that these activities will take approximately three days to complete.
- On November 2, 2022, the SWPs consultant (Weaver Consultants Group) will be on-Site to collect samples of IDW drums for disposal characterization.
- A Site visit with EPA and IDEM is scheduled for November 15, 2022.
- At the request of EPA, a call between representatives for the Great Lakes National Program Office (GLNPO), EPA, IDEM and the SWPs is scheduled for November 16, 2022. The purpose of

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the call is to coordinate GLNPO's pending remediation of the Grand Calumet River and Site efforts.

- Submit on November 18, 2022, for EPA review and approval, the OU-1 Supplemental Source Area Investigation Work Plan.
- A routine project status call is tentatively scheduled for November 23, 2022, if deemed necessary by EPA.

**E. CHANGES IN RI/FS WORK PLANS OR ACTIVITIES**

- Continue discussions with USEPA and IDEM regarding bifurcation of groundwater as a new and separate OU.

**F. ENCOUNTERED / ANTICIPATED DELAYS**

- None.

**G. COMMUNITY RELATIONS ACTIVITIES**

- None requested.